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Environmental Protection Agency
National Freedom of Information Officer
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Washington, DC 20460

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

All internal and external communications, including but not limited to non-EPA affiliated email accounts used for federal government work and communication tools such as Signal and Slack, of the following EPA staffers: George Sugiyama; David Kreutzer; David Schnare; Charles Munoz; Layne Bangerter; Patrick Davis; Douglas Ericksen; Holly Greaves; Ryan Jackson; Byron Brown; Andrew Wheeler.

This request is limited by using the following search terms: "State Policy Network"; "SPN.org"; "Independence Institute"; "i2i.org" "Amy Oliver Cooke"; "Kathleen Hartnett White"; "Texas Public Policy Foundation"; "CO2"; "Cornwell Alliance"; "Calvin Beisner"; "Paris"; "climate".

The timeframe of this request is between January 21, 2017 and May 10, 2017.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes. It is in the public's interest to know how federal government employees at the EPA are working to either keep the United States in or leave the Paris climate change agreement. Significant articles have been generated surrounding this issue, including the Washington Post (https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/energy-environment/wp/2017/04/14/trumps-epa-chief-scott-pruitt-calls-for-an-exit-to-the-paris-climate-agreement/?utm_term=.92939d9a7c77) and U.S. News & World Report (<https://www.usnews.com/news/top-news/articles/2017-04-02/epa-chief-says-paris-climate-agreement-bad-deal-for-us>).

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not. However, I would also like to request a waiver of all fees in that the disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest. The organization I work for, the Energy and Policy Institute, is a clearinghouse of information and can qualify as a representative of the news media. There are several examples of public record requests that have been provided to my organization and that were then published on our website to inform the public.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Matt Kasper

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